Edwards: Bryan/College Station Area to receive $1.1 million in Housing and Urban Development Funding from Stimulus

(Washington, D.C.) – United States Representative Chet Edwards announced today that the Bryan/College Station area will receive an additional $1.1 million in funding from the stimulus legislation signed by the President on February 17th. These funds will be distributed to the Bryan/College Station area through Housing and Urban Development formula funding from the Public Housing Capital Fund and Community Development Block Grants.

"Providing quality housing and ensuring that those in need have the funds accessible to keep a roof over their heads is important in these trying times," said Edwards. "These grants will give Bryan and College Station the opportunity to modernize public housing and increase low income housing opportunities."

The $618,573 from the Public Housing Capital fund will be used for the modernization and development of Low Income Public Housing in the Bryan area. A $250,205 Community Development Block Grant was awarded to the city of Bryan and an additional $299,821 Community Development Block Grant was awarded to College Station. These grants will provide affordable housing and create economic opportunities for persons of low and moderate income in Bryan/College Station.

"By providing much needed housing funding that allows local housing districts flexibility to meet their highest potential, this stimulus funding can help those most in need as well as continue to develop our economy," concluded Edwards.

Other stimulus funds recently announced for Brazos County includes $9.2 million in education funds for local school districts, $425,421 in formula grants for law enforcement from the Department of Justice, $950,000 to help the Brazos Transit District, and $500,000 for the West Bryan Sewer Treatment Facility.

Additional area communities receiving Public Housing Capital Funds are: Hearne: $281,639 Calvert: $59,221 Madisonville: $99,962 Franklin: $56,886 Navasota: $106,737

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